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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON:—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street; GORDON & GOTCH, Co., 30, Cornhill; GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate Circus, E. C.; BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry; E. C. SAMUEL BRACON & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street.

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BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL,.....5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND,.....1,400,000 Dollars.

COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq.
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MANAGER.
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LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.
ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. "
" 12 " 5 per cent. "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, August 16, 1879.

NOTICE.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

THE AGENCY of this BANK at FOOCHEW will be CLOSED and WITHDRAWN from 1st July next.

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS and FIXED DEPOSIT RECEIPTS will be PAID there AT ONCE with INTEREST to Date, or transferred to this Branch at the Exchange of the Day at the option of Constituents.

GEO. O. SCOTT,
p. Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,

Hongkong, May 28, 1879.

COMPTOIR DES COMPTES DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION of 30th April, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP.....£3,200,000.
RESERVE FUND.....£800,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, RUE BERGERE,

PARIS.

AGENTS and BRANCHES at:

LONDON, BOURBON, SAN FRANCISCO,
MARSEILLE, BOMBAY, HONGKONG,
LYON, CALCUTTA, HANKOW,
NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHOW.

LONDON BANKERS:

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

The Hongkong Agency received Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.

E. G. VOUILLEMONTE,
Manager, Shanghai.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

Banks.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3½ per Annum.

" 6 " 4 " "

" 12 " 5 " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

GEO. O. SCOTT,
Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,

Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

THE following Rates of Interest are allowed on FIXED DEPOSITS:—

For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 per cent. "

" 3 " 2 per cent. "

H. H. NELSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL.....£800,000.
RESERVE FUND.....£150,000.

Bankers.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

On CURRENT ACCOUNTS, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On FIXED DEPOSITS.

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 per cent. "

" 12 " 5 per cent. "

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership heretofore existing between the Undersigned, under the Firm name of W. B. SPRATT & Co. has been THIS DAY dissolved by mutual consent, Mr J. M. EMANUEL retiring.

W. B. SPRATT.
J. M. EMANUEL.

THE Business of the above Firm will be CONTINUED as before under the Firm name of W. B. SPRATT & Co., of the COSMOPOLITAN DOCKS, who will collect all Accounts and pay all Demands against the late Firm.

W. B. SPRATT.
Surveyor, &c.

16, Queen's Road Central,
1st August, 1879.

NOTICE.

DURING my temporary absence from the Colony, Mr ERNEST VAUGHN WETTON will CONDUCT my BUSINESS, for which purpose he holds authority to SIGN my name

R. G. ALFORD,
Surveyor, &c.

16, Queen's Road Central,
1st August, 1879.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has established him-

self at the Premises formerly occupied

by LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co., Pedder's Wharf, as

AUCTIONEER, APPRAISER

AND
COMMISSION AGENT.

All GOODS intrusted for SALE will be

fully covered by FIRE INSURANCE.

G. B. LAMMERT.

Hongkong, July 1, 1879.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE,

in Quarts and Pints.

GIBR, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, May 26, 1879.

FOR SALE.

VEUVE CLIQUOT PONSARDIN,

Dry CHAMPAGNE (England)

In Cases of.....1 doz. Quarts.

of.....2 " Pints.

Apply to

SANDER & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, August 18, 1879.

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For Sale.

KELLY & WALLS

HAVE JUST RECEIVED,

Large Assortment of CLOCK-WORK TOYS,

FLOATING DOLLS, INDIA RUBBER BALLS,

&c., &c.

A New Stock of FRENCH NOVELS.

DAVID'S L'EMPIRE CHINOIS.

GREGG'S LES PRODUITS DE LA

NATURE.

BOUTIQUE'S LE JAPON DE NOS

JOURS.

THOMPSON'S MALACCA AND INDO-

CHINA.

HILL'S MANUAL OF BUSINESS

FORMS.

LE SAINT Edition, PIRY.

BANCROFT'S HISTORY OF UNITED

STATES.

Complete Set SCOTT'S WAVERLEY

NOVELS, very cheap.

OGLIVIE'S COMPLETE DICTIONARY

HALF MOROCCO.

Complete Edition TENNYSON'S POEMS.

VILLA GARDENING.

Small Size REPP NOTE PAPERS.

QUILL PENS and NIBS.

STAMP ALBUMS.

New AMERICAN OITHORN.

GENERAL GRANT'S TRAVELS

ROUND THE WORLD.

Hongkong, September 9, 1879. se16

Intimations.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS

are requested to send in an Account

of Business contributed during the

Half-year ended 30th June, 1879, on or before

September 20th, on which date the Ac-

counts will be closed.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Intimations.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE Undersigned begs to inform his Customers and the Public that he has REMOVED to No. 95, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL Same Address as before the fire.

TUNG CHEONG, Tailor.
Hongkong, August 20, 1879. se20

G. FALCONER & Co.,
WATCH AND CHRONOMETER
MANUFACTURERS,
AND JEWELLERS.
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS
AND BOOKS.
46, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, August 20, 1879. se20

NOTICE.

KEROSINE OIL Landed and Stored in
FIRST-CLASS GODDOWNS constructed
expressly for the purpose.

For Terms, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, August 26, 1879. se26

Notices to Consignees

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Glencoe* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium—are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-day.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 11th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, September 4, 1879. se11

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Venice* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, September 5, 1879. se12

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamer *Japan*, Captain GARDNER, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

D. SASOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, September 5, 1879. se12

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Hindostan*, Captain McCONNELL, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees are hereby informed that the General Cargo will be landed by, and into the Godowns of the Undersigned at Wan Chai, whence delivery can be obtained on and after the 7th Instant.

Cargo remaining in Godowns after the 11th Instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DAVID SASOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, September 6, 1879. se13

To-day's Advertisements.

CRICKET.

THE Annual General MEETING of the HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB will be held at the Hongkong Club on TUESDAY Next, 16th Instant, at 6 p.m.

MEMBERS are requested to attend.

GENTLEMEN desirous of joining the Cricket Club, the Subscription to which includes Lawn Tennis, are requested to communicate with the Hon. Sec.

WILLIAM HYNES,
Hon. Sec. & Treasurer,
H.K.C.C.

Hongkong, September 10, 1879. se16

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Ex Petho.

1 parcel Samples, from M (in diamond) Shanghai.

Messrs Tata & Co., 1 parcel Tea Mustard, from Shanghai.

Ex Iraoudy.

W.F.S. (in diamond) { No. 38, 1 case Wool-

{ lens, from London.

J.M.P. (in diamond) { No. 39, 1 case Ho-

J.H. { siery, from L'don.

PG 1 case Wine, from Marseilles.

ME 1 caak Brandy, from Marseilles.

Rev. F. Sainz, 1 parcel Relyx, from Mar-

sella.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, September 10, 1879.

To-day's Advertisements.



STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE
GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA,
BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDI-
TERANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-
AMPTON, AND LONDON;
ALSO,
BOMBAY, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
INDUS, Captain S. D. SHALLARD, will
leave this on TUESDAY, the 23rd Inst.,
at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. McIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, September 10, 1879. se23

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

The Steamship
"VENICE,"
P. J. RHODE, Commander,
will be despatched for the above
Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 17th
Inst., at 3 o'clock Afternoon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, September 10, 1879. se10

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

The Steamship
"JAPAN,"
Captain T. S. GARDNER, will
be despatched for the above
Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 17th Inst.,
at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 10, 1879. se17

CASTLE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND
HIOGO.

The Steamship
"LOUDOUN CASTLE,"
expected here on or about
the 14th Instant, will have
immediate despatch for the above Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 10, 1879.

TENDERS for the REPAIRS of the
German Bark *ANNA BERTHA*,

Captain KRAUSE, will be Received at the
Office of the Undersigned till FRIDAY,
the 12th Instant, at Noon.

For Particulars, apply to
CAPTAIN ON BOARD, or
SIEMSSSEN & Co.,
Agents, Anna Bertha.

Hongkong, September 10, 1879. se12

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:—

NORMAN COURT, British barque, Capt.
J. L. Dunn.—O. & S. S. Co.

ALEXANDER YEATS, Canadian ship, Capt.
J. W. Dunham.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Sept. 10, 10:30 a.m., *Diomed*, British
steamer, 1241, Jackson, Liverpool July 22,
via ports of call, and Singapore Sept. 3, 4
p.m., General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

Sept. 10, *Hwai Yuen*, Chinese steamer,
from Canton.

Sept. 10, *Orange Grove*, British barque,
885, A. Longmuir, Nagasaki Aug. 11, Coal.—
RUSSELL & Co.

Sept. 10, *Atholl*, British steamer, 922,
W. S. Thomson, Newcastle (N.S.W.) Aug.
13, via Cooktown and Port Darwin 28,
Coal.—Geo. R. STEVENS & Co.

Sept. 10, *Albay*, British steamer, 366,
F. Ashton, Taiwanfoo Sept. 3, Tamsui 6,
Amoy 8, and Swatow 9, General.—
DOUGLAS LAPRAK & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Sept. 10, *Sherard Osborn*, for Singapore.

CLEARED.

Bellona, for Haiphong.
Kuik, for Newchwang.
Namo, for Coast Ports.
Olympia, for Saigon.
Fleensburg, for Newchwang.

A. M. Simpson, for Guam.
Wing Ning, for Haiphong.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
Per *Albay*, from Taiwanfoo, &c., Mr
Mannich, and 122 Chinese.

Per *Diomed*, from Singapore, &c., 230
Chinese.

Per *Atholl*, from Cooktown, 79 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Albay* reports:
Taiwanfoo to Tamsui, experienced moderate
variable winds and fine weather. Tamsui to Amoy, fresh northerly winds and fine
weather. Amoy to Swatow, light variable
winds and fine weather. Swatow to Tong-
mi Point, light variable winds and fine,
from thence to port light N.E. winds and
fine weather. In Amoy: H. M. S. Mos-
quito, S. S. Crusader, and H. M. R. C.
Ling Feng. S. S. Chefoo in Dock. S. S.
Harter left for New York on night of 8th,
in Swatow: S. S. Yontung, and H. M. R. C.
Pei-hoo. S. S. Kwangtung left for North
on night of 9th. Passed four steamers
bound North on night of 9th.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Diomed* reports:
Fine weather throughout the passage, light
northerly winds for last 3 days.

The British barque *Orange Grove* re-
ports: On the 7th September, spoke the
barque *Rachel* of Sydney, bound North.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—
For SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW.—
For *Namo*, at 9:30 a.m., on Thursday,
the 11th inst.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per *Huai Yuen*, at 11:30 a.m. To-mor-
row, the 11th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, AND
CALCUTTA.—
Per *Hindostan*, at 2:30 p.m., on Thurs-
day, the 11th inst.

For AMOY AND SHANGHAI.—
Per *Diomed*, at 10:30 a.m., on Friday,
the 12th inst.

For BANGKOK.—
Per *Danube*, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the
15th inst.

For CANTON.—
Per *Kiu-kiang*, at 5 p.m., on Mondays,
Wednesdays, and Fridays, till fur-
ther notice.

MAIL BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.
The United States Mail Packet *Beagle*, will
be despatched on THURSDAY, the
11th Sept., with Mails for Japan, San
Francisco, the United States, Canada,
Honolulu, Peru, &c. will be closed as
follows:—

2:15 P.M. Registry ceases.
2:30 P.M. Post-Office closes, but Letters
(except for Non-Union Countries) may
be posted on board the Packet with
Late Fee of 18 cents extra. Postage
until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies
(expected the Bahamas and Hayti),
Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay
cannot be sent by this route.

Hongkong, Aug. 22, 1879. se11

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet *Sindhu* will
be despatched on TUESDAY, the
16th Inst., with Mails to and
through the United Kingdom and
Europe, via Naples; to Salou, Straits
Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon,
Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Ben-
gala, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.
The usual hours will be observed in closing
the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—

The British Contract Packet *Indus*
will be despatched on TUESDAY,
the 23rd Inst., with Mails to and
through the United Kingdom and
Europe via Brindisi or Southampton;
to the Straits Settlements, Batavia,
Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt,
Malta, and Gibraltar.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the
Australian Colonies, E. or S. Africa,
nor for Mauritius.

HOURS OF CLOSING
THE CONTRACT MAILS.

The following hours are observed in closing
Mails, &c., by both the British and
French Contract Packets:—

Day before departure:—

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Every roof and wall was crowded with good-humoured spectators. Nothing could have exceeded the honour and hospitality with which the British Embassy was received in the capital then. On the plain below the Bala Hissar was drawn up, on the left of the road, the whole of the Kabul garrison in line of columns. On the right was a mountain battery, then nine battalions of infantry (including the Highlanders, some of whom accompanied the Amur to Gundamuk), and a battery of horse artillery. On the left was a regiment of cavalry. Each regiment saluted the Envoy as he slowly passed in front of it, and the bands struck up tunes which were new and strange to our ears. At His Excellency entered the Bala Hissar, by the Shah Shahid Gate, a salute of 17 guns, was fired by a battery of 18-pounders posted on a low hill. Near the Amur's palace a guard of honour was drawn up and presented arms. Ceremonial visits were paid, banquets prepared for the officers, and every attention paid to the Embassy.

Police Intelligence. (Before C. V. Creagh, Esq.)

Wednesday, September 10.

SERF BIRDS.

Chen-a-Chin, and Ching-a-Man were charged by P.C. 68, Thomas Campbell, with being on the Praya, at half past one this morning, without lights or passes. Complainant stated that he saw the defendants walking westward and keeping under the verandah. When they saw him they turned up a lane. He arrested them. The first defendant has been in gaol before for larceny. First defendant said he was sleeping in the street, as he was too tired to go home.

The second prisoner has no home, and was sleeping in the street.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$2 on each, in default of payment, seven days in gaol with hard labour.

BUYING A SOLDIER'S KIT.

Chow Tong Sing, a marine hawker, was charged by P. S. D. Toomey, with buying a soldier's kit, from a private in H. M. 27th Inniskillings, on the 16th of last month, knowing the same to be the property of the Queen.

P. S. D. Toomey stated:—On the 16th of last month, a report was made at the Station that Patrick Gormley, a private in the 27th Inniskillings, had deserted and taken his arms, accoutrements, and kit, with him. The man was arrested the same morning, and was sentenced by a Court Martial to two years' hard labour, for making away with Government property, and is now serving his two years in Victoria Gaol. I took Gormley from gaol yesterday, and he pointed out to me the defendant as the man who bought the kit. Defendant was in the street and had a hawker's stall; I found nothing on it. I asked the prisoner to take us to his house; he guided us through several streets and eventually came back to within twenty yards of where we started from, and took us up to a house, fitted as a school-room. Prisoner said something to the woman in charge of the house, which I understood to mean,—"Say that I live here." But the woman denied all knowledge of defendant, who then said that he had no house, and lived in the streets, I judged, by prisoners having taken his round several streets, that he was giving some of his friends a chance to clear away with the goods we were looking for.

Patrick Gormley stated:—On the 16th of last month I deserted from the 27th Inniskillings; this was early that morning. I threw away my arms, and put two pairs of serge trousers, a great coat and cap, a serge coat, flannel shirt, two pairs of boots, and two pairs of socks in a bag and took them down to Cat Street. The prisoner was pointed out to me by a black fellow, as a man who would likely buy the things I had, and I offered them to him for sale; he was at that time sitting in the street, on some boxes. He said,—"No saher," but when the black fellow had moved away, he followed me and asked me what I had in my bundle. I told him I had some clothes. He then took me up two streets and left me standing there for about five minutes. When he returned he spread an old mat on the ground, and I emptied my bundle onto it. After he examined the things he gave me \$3, rolled up the mat, and was going to run away with the things. I said to him, "If you don't give another dollar, I'll report you to the Police." He had only seventy cents which he gave to me; I then went down to the Star Hotel, and got drunk. About ten o'clock I was arrested by the Regimental Police and taken to the Central Station. From there, I was taken to the Barracks, and have since been tried by a Court Martial and sentenced to two years' hard labor, for making away with my kit. From the time of my arrest until yesterday, I have not seen the prisoner. I went with the Sergeant and pointed him out. He was then standing where I first saw him. I am certain he is the man I sold my kit to. I have seen him several times, when I have been knocking about Cat Street, and have seen him buy things from sailors. I could identify the black fellow. I saw on the morning I sold my kit, if I were to meet him.

P. S. Toomey, was recalled, and, in answer to a question by His Worship, said:—There are so many black fellows in Tali-pan-shan at the present time that I have not been able to find the man in question, from the description given of him by Gormley; but, if you will remand the case for two days, I will endeavour to produce more evidence.

Prisoner had no questions to put to the witness.

Case remanded till Friday.

THE ICE CREAM MAN AGAIN.

Daniel Robinson was charged with disturbing the peace on the night of the 9th inst., at eleven o'clock, in No. 5 district. He had been calling out his ice cream for sale.

Defendant admitted the charge and said he did not know it was against the law.

The Court imposed a fine of fifty cents and instructed Robinson to take out a licence as a hawker, also telling him that he must not go about the streets disturbing people by his cries.

Defendant wished to know how he could make an honest living, if he were not allowed to call out what he had for sale.

His Worship said he must make an honest living without breaking the law.

Defendant paid the fine and left the court.

INDECENT BATHING.

Ngai Aan, and Ngai Ynk Lung, were charged at the instance of William Keller,

with indecently bathing in a stream of hot water, running from the Rum Distillery into Causeway Bay.

Complainant stated that crowds of coolies were in the habit of coming every day, to bathe in the stream; they stripped themselves naked and often washed their clothes while they were in that state. Last evening, about six o'clock, he noticed the two prisoners bathing; they were quite naked, and were within forty feet of the house. He went and waited until they came up from the stream, on to the road, and gave them in charge. He has often chased the coolies away from the place where they bathe, as there are women living in the house. About fourteen months ago he spoke to an Inspector of Police about having a notice board put up to prohibit bathing, but no board had been put up.

Defendants said they were not bathing; and that they had been arrested by mistake; they never had their clothes off.

Complainant recalled, said:—I am quite certain the two defendants were naked; I had to wait until they came on shore and dressed themselves, and I then took them to the constable.

Prisoners were fined \$1 each, in default of payment four days in gaol.

His Worship instructed Inspector Rivers to have a notice board put up at the place, prohibiting bathing there.

INJURING PUBLIC WORKS.

Ng Yan, a boatwoman, was charged with driving the fluke of an anchor into the new concrete of the Praya Wall, opposite the Gas works.

Samuel Simon, a foreman in the Public Works Department, saw the anchor stuck into the sea wall, and asked the defendant to remove it. She refused to do so; and he threw the anchor into the water, when the crew of the boat began to abuse him. The hole was two inches deep and about four inches long.

Mr Danby, who was in Court, stated that this offence was a very common one, and was most injurious to the wall, as the backwash of the water got in the hole and was apt to do much damage.

Defendant admitted putting the anchor on shore, but denied fixing it into the wall. Fined \$1. In default of payment three days in gaol.

LICENSED BROTHEL.

Chan Lai, was charged by Inspector Whitehead, with keeping an unlicensed brothel in Hung Ham.

Defendant admitted the charge, and stated that she did not know it was against the law; as she got the women from a licensed brothel.

Fined \$50, in default of payment four weeks' imprisonment.

THEFT OF CLOTHES.

Leung Yun Hi, was charged with stealing two pairs of trousers and one jacket from a shop in the Salt-fish Market.

Sham A Hin, a shop-coolie, stated that he saw the prisoner going out of the Yi Un shop, this morning about five o'clock, with a bundle in his hand. Witness pursued him and called out: "thief." Prisoner was arrested by a constable and searched; the trousers in Court were found concealed under his clothes.

Defendant admitted stealing the clothes and stated that he was a seaman, and had been out of employment for eight months.

Sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment with hard labour.

A STRANGE STORY.

Chan Fuk Ti, was charged with assaulting a boatman, named Chan A Wa, on the 9th instant.

Complainant stated that defendant came and engaged his boat yesterday, for the purpose of conveying goods from a vessel which had been wrecked at Green Island. On going there, witness saw no wreck. He was told by defendant to go on shore, and they went ashore together, and walked up the hill to a steep bank, when defendant asked witness to sit down. He did so, and before he was aware of it, he found himself shoved over the edge of the bank; he fell among some stones a distance of about twelve feet, cutting his knees and side, (witness shows scratches.) He called for his wife, and got up and seized the defendant and took him on board the boat. When prisoner was taken on board the boat, he, at first, would say nothing, but afterwards said he wanted to murder him. Complainant never saw him before yesterday.

Li Atai, wife of last witness, corroborated his evidence; she saw her husband shoved from the bank, and heard defendant ask to be let off as he had done it accidentally.

Defendant stated that he never saw the first witness before yesterday. While defendant was walking on the Praya, the complainant came up and said to him: "You owe me \$8," and on his denying this, he was asked to go on board a boat and talk the matter over. He went and complainant pulled him to a small island near Green Island, where a European engaged him (complainant) to take a load of stones to Green Island. When they got there complainant got drunk and fell down a bank. Defendant further said he is a boatman, and has a small boat; he is secured by the master of the Yi Wai Ku eating house.

Mr McIlwraith, in reply, stated that the financial statement shows that the interest will be derived from the increased revenue derivable from lands opened up.

Aug. 14.—In the Assembly, on Wednesday, the debate on the want of confidence motion was continued till after ten o'clock. Bailey, Douglas, Macrossan and Rutledge spoke, and the discussion was quiet and temperate. The debate was adjourned till Tuesday next.

DISTURBANCE ON THE PRAYA.

Leung Tung, Teé Kwai Lam, Ho Akiu, Chan Asai, Chan Asui, Cheung Ayuk, Leung Asso, Tong Aobi, Pong Achol, Liu Aai, Tang Ang, Mak Ait, Ng Akan, and Cheung Aduu, were charged with fighting and creating a disturbance on the Praya.

P. C. 152, stated that he heard a great noise on the Praya and saw a lot of men fighting. The first prisoner picked up a stone and threw it amongst the crowd; he arrested him and sent for a party of Police; all the defendants were fighting; some had stones and sticks.

Wong Alik, an overseer of works on the Praya, stated that the third and eighth defendants began the fight; the others joined in and made a great noise. Stones were thrown, and some of the men had sticks. Witness cannot identify the persons. In answer to a question of the eighth prisoner, witness admitted that he had told him about a leak, which was then stopped up.

P. C. 158, recalled, said he was sure all the fourteen prisoners were engaged in the fight.

The eighth and thirteenth defendants were fined \$3 each, in default of payment, fourteen days' hard labour. The others were fined \$1 each, in default, four days each.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Sept. 10, 1879.

Sir,—That a "light-fingered" character of a peculiar variety was present at the Promenade Concert last evening there is no doubt in the mind of the writer. Contrary to the usual custom the "artist" in this case deposited his spoil (a gold ring of considerable value) in the coat pocket of an innocent spectator. That the rightful owner should have his property is but just. It is to be hoped that this will meet his eye, and that he will apply at the *China Mail* Office and there receive the article from one who publishes this with.

GOOD INTENT.

[The ring is a gentleman's plain massive gold ring, evidently made to be worn on the little finger, and bears a mark inside "L.C." It will be handed over upon satisfactory proof being given of ownership.—*En. C. M.*]

Japan.

YOKOHAMA. (Gazette.)

In a lengthy and interesting account of the *feile shi myōre*, given in honour of H. M. the Mikado, the *Nichi Nihon* says that 8,600 persons were invited by the committee, and that 70,000 lanterns were distributed about the grounds. The editor comments somewhat severely on the miscellaneous styles of dress worn by some of the foreign visitors; and accuses them of being very impolite in their behaviour, and of being, in consequence, a disgrace to the country they belong to.

At length some apparently reliable particulars of the disaster to the Otsu tunnel is to hand. The *Osaka Nippon* says that at about seven o'clock in the morning of the 20th instant, thirty-four men were at work building a brick support to the Otsu tunnel when, without any warning, about fifteen yards in length of the top fell in, killing four men and wounding several others. About two hundred yards further in were fifty coolies engaged in excavating. The fall of earth completely shut them in and prevented communication with the outer world. Fearing that they would be suffocated from want of air, Mr Fukuda gathered a large number of men together and proceeded to the scene of the accident. His first endeavour was to let a current of air into the entombed men by means of a long bamboo which he drove through the dirt; and to find out when the bamboo was through, water was poured into it. After considerable trouble the workmen were rewarded by finding that all the water they poured into the bamboo ran out on the other side. A man then put his mouth to the tube and asked those on the other side if they were alive. Receiving an answer in the affirmative the rescuing party set to work more vigorously than ever, and eventually succeeded in making a hole through the mud sufficiently large for a man to crawl through. The entombed men then came out one by one, very little the worse for having been buried alive for the space of twelve hours.

Australian Items.

The steamer *Atholl*, Captain Thomson, from Australian ports, arrived to-day, and brings Cooktown papers to the 16th ult. We reproduce the following paragraphs:—

SYDNEY.

Aug. 11.—The weather cleared up on Saturday morning, and there is every appearance of the continuance of fine weather. Telegrams from the north and west state that all danger of serious floods is ended.

Aug. 12.—At a meeting at the exchange yesterday, at which two hundred persons were present, Mr Driver being in the chair, it was unanimously resolved to accept Haoulon's challenge to row Trickett for two thousand pounds, but not to guarantee expenses.

Aug. 14.—The preparations for the decorations and exhibits of the Queensland Court have commenced. The position is highly advantageous, as it includes an extensive balcony upon which exhibits of Queensland vegetation can be displayed in the form of a garden. There will be transported trophies of gold, copper, tin, sugar, pearl-shell, and forestry.

Aug. 15.—At a quarter past ten o'clock this morning the Lancashire branch of the Commercial Bank of Australia was stuck up by two armed men, supposed to be the Kellys. They seized and gagged the accountant, and afterwards stole £500. No further particulars are yet to hand.

BRISBANE.

Aug. 12.—It is considered probable that the Government will have a small majority upon the want of confidence motion.

In the Assembly to-day, Mr Griffith, in moving the want of confidence resolution, blamed the Government for not stating clearly the direction in which it was proposed to extend the trunk lines. He denied their bona fides in connection with the proposed branch lines, and accused them of proposing to borrow without providing the means to pay the interest thereon.

Mr McIlwraith, in reply, stated that the financial statement shows that the interest will be derived from the increased revenue derivable from lands opened up.

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PALMERVILLE.

Aug. 18.—The remark has been very general that no alluvial gold existed at a depth, but the Chinese are about to disprove the assertion. About three miles below Palmerville a number of miners are getting fair wages, the wash being obtained from a depth of 10 to 14 feet. We hope this discovery will become a permanent industry, and cause attention to the necessity existing for a more systematic trial of ground heretofore neglected.

COOKTOWN.

Aug. 16.—The steamer *Ocean* brought in addition to other cargo 263 tons of rice for this port, the duty on which will amount to £454 13s. 4d. She has on board a cargo of 952 packages of merchandise for Southern ports.

HOBARTOWN.

Aug. 12.—A Ministerial crisis is imminent, owing to want of cohesion among the supporters of the Government. An attempt will be made to form a coalition Ministry.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.).

Aug. 12.—The members of Parliament have voted themselves an honorarium of two hundred guineas for their services dur-

ing the session. Parliament was prorogued on Monday. The Government have issued orders to stop all free immigration, except in cases where applicants are single women.

INTERPRETATION IN THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

Mr Robert Campbell at the Straits Council Meeting of the 14th August, proposed, and the Council apparently unanimously approved of a resolution, the material part of which reads to this effect:—

"That in view of the urgent necessity for trained interpreters of the Chinese language it is most desirable that every facility should be afforded to the covenanted servants of the Government, who are studying Chinese, to perfect themselves in the knowledge of that language."

Mr Campbell, in proposing the resolution, said that the want of Chinese interpreters was, he believed, "felt in all the departments of Government," and expressed the opinion that "until some system is introduced by which each Department of Government has some one in it, who can check the native interpreters, the administration of these Departments cannot be satisfactorily carried out." Mr Gilliland, in supporting the resolution, did not go so far as this, dwelling merely in general terms upon the primary importance of facilitating the study of Chinese, but he made the statement that "the wishes of the Chinese Section of the community, one of the most important, cannot be understood by Government but by means of the Chinese language." The *Strait Times*, writing on the subject, has the following:—

These are very strong assertions on the part of the two Hon'ble Members, and probably on reflection

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H. M. BLANCHARD,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, August 22, 1879.

NOTICE.

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For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, September 3, 1879.

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NOTICE.

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By Order of the Directors,
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 5, 1879.

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J. BRADLEY SMITH,
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

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